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Mr. Lester Snow, Executive Director CALFED Bay-Delta Program 1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1155 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Snow:

I would like to register my opposition to CALFED's endorsement of the construction of 12 new dams in California. It seems to me that building more dams is merely a short-term fix for a long-term problem, and I would urge you and others to think creatively for more long-term solutions. On balance I believe that the existing dams have done more harm than good, and the construction of new dams should only be authorized in the most extreme situations. In fact, I believe that it is time for us to more seriously consider the removal of existing dams rather than the creation of new ones. I urge you to reconsider endorsing the construction of new dams.

Sincerely, Zeanh Callin

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